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REMARKS

In further response to the amendment filed November 2, 2004, Applicants herein provide the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

Element (d) of claim 50 has been amended to recite "meiotic recombination" instead of "meiosis" to be consistent with the claim preamble. Support for this amendment can be found in original claim 1.

Element (e) of claim 50 has been amended to recite "hybrid yeast cells" instead of "haploid yeast cells" to be consistent with the specification at page 3, lines 28-29.

Element (d) of claim 50 has been amended to provide antecedent basis for the term "hybrid". Therefore, no new matter has been added by this amendment.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the present application is in condition for allowance and early notice to that effect is hereby requested.

If the Examiner has any comments or proposals for expediting prosecution, please contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number below.

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